

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 10/8/87

FULL NAME Clifford W. Rocker SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS _____

CITY Utica STATE New York ZIP CODE 13501

DATE OF BIRTH 10/17/52 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE N/A (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Catholic NATIONALITY _____

OCCUPATION Unemployed - Former Factory Worker

EDUCATION ?

WEIGHT 220 lbs. HEIGHT 5'11" RACE Caucasian

COLOR OF HAIR Brown COLOR OF EYES Brown

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Talkative, mechanically inclined

MARRIED OR SINGLE Married CHILDREN _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
Pack #55	Utica	N.Y.	CM	4-24-87	9-25-87

SPECIAL RECOGNITION none - never worked with the Pack's leaders or children. Was always inactive.

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Volunteered to D.E. Donald Skinner that he was under indictment for felony morals charges with the Oneida County District Attorney's Office. He voluntarily resigned his Cubmaster position.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

CONFIDENTIAL

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NOV 06 '87

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed John C. Hawley
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Land of the Oneidas Council, Inc.

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CONF013549

November 10, 1987

Mr. John C. Harvey
Scout Executive
Land of the Oneidas Council, No. 395

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Clifford W. Rocker

Dear John:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter.
This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent
Confidential File.

Sincerely,

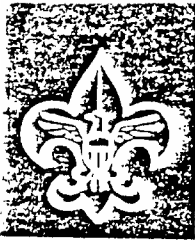
Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

PE/mdw

cc: Northeast Region

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NOV 10 1987
ERIN O'RILEY

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Rome Office (315) 337-6480
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LAND OF THE ONEIDAS COUNCIL, INC.

1401 Genesee St.

UTICA, NEW YORK 13501

October 22, 1987

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service
National Office, B.S.A.
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Tx. 75038-3096

Dear Paul:

Apparently my report and your letter regarding Clifford Rocker crossed paths in the mail.

We experienced an impossible task in meeting with Mr. Rocker and were forced to go the route of registered mail. This required a considerable amount of time and caused the delay in getting the report to you sooner.

My report should have also included the enclosed material.

Sincerely,

John C. Harvey
Council Executive

JCH/st

Enclosure

CONF013551

Report on Cliff Rocker

Cliff Rocker of [REDACTED] Utica, N.Y. 13501 registered as the Cubmaster of Pack 55 - Blessed Sacrament School on April 24, 1987.

He was first recruited for this position as a parent whose son was registered in Tiger Cubs with Pack 55. Mr. Rocker was one of many parents who were called to a meeting at the Utica Scout Office for the purpose of recruiting leadership to operate Cub Pack 55. Mr. Rocker met with District Executive Don Skinner and acting District Commissioner Doris Obernesser. He agreed that Pack 55 was in need of new leaders to supplement the current group of leaders, at which point he volunteered to register as Pack 55's new Cubmaster.

The next step included checking with Margaret Welsh and Jo Ann Veinot, who were the two Den Leaders who were holding the Pack together. Mrs. Welsh was aware of Mr. Rocker, having remembered him as a parent from Tiger Cubs who appeared very interested in the Cub Scouting program. She felt he would be a suitable choice to fill the open Cubmaster slot. Mrs. Veinot was not acquainted with Mr. Rocker, but was pleased that the Sunrise District was trying to aid Pack 55 in recruiting the new Cubmaster. The Pack was faltering without the Cubmaster being in place.

Next Mr. Skinner met with Sister Mary Laffey Principal of Blessed Sacrament School. She serves as Institutional Representative for the Cub Pack. She signed the Pack 55 Charter renewal and also approved Mr. Rocker as the new Cubmaster and [REDACTED] as a new Den Leader. She knew [REDACTED] and the Rocker children but was not fully familiar with Mr. Rocker or his background.

Mr. Skinner then made several attempts throughout May, June, July and August to touch base with Mr. Rocker to begin his Fast Start Training as the new Pack 55 Cubmaster. The various phone messages were never returned. On August 26 Mr. Skinner spoke finally directly by phone with Mr. Rocker. Mr. Skinner made Mr. Rocker aware that he was eager to get Mr. Rocker trained to assume his new role as Cubmaster prior to the start of the new fall program kickoff.

Mr. Rocker then informed Mr. Skinner he could not remain on as Cubmaster due to his being indicted on Felony charges by the Oneida County D.A.'s office. Mr. Skinner asked for a further explanation and was told that these charges were for Sexual abuse. Mr. Rocker did not disclose of whom, only saying he was arrested a short time before the end of the school year.

Mr. Skinner informed Mr. Rocker that he would be making Scout Executive John C. Harvey aware of this matter and that Mr. Rocker should have no further dealings with Pack 55. Mr. Rocker said he understood and was sorry that he had caused a problem for the Cub Pack and the local Council.

Mr. Harvey and Mr. Skinner met on August 27 with a Representative of the Oneida County District Attorney's office to follow up on the accuracy of Mr. Rocker's statements. She verified his arrest on April 7, 1987 and that it was for sodomy - more than one count, a felony. She was not able to share whom the victims were. She stated the case is now at the plea bargaining stage, with the possibility Mr. Rocker will plead to a lesser count.

Mr. Harvey then made the National Office aware of the details. Mr. Skinner has an appointment on August 28 with Father Dellos, the Priest at Blessed Sacrament to update him on the BSA's stance on this matter.

From all appearances the Principal of Blessed Sacrament - Sister Mary Laffey and Pack 55's key Den Leader - Jo Ann Veinot are not aware of Mr. Rocker's legal difficulties. Mr. Rocker at no time met with any of Pack 55's registered Cub Scouts or adult Leaders due to Summer Program break.



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October 21, 1987

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
National Office, B.S.A.
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75038-3098

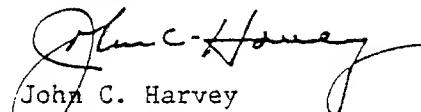
Dear Paul:

Enclosed you will please find the Confidential Record Sheet and related material on Clifford W. Rocker who we request be placed on the "Confidential List".

Unfortunately, we could not meet personally with Mr. Rocker because he was not living with the family after the problem.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


John C. Harvey
Council Executive

JCH:st

Enclosures

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1401 Genesee St.

UTICA, NEW YORK 13501

August 27, 1987

Mr. Clifford Rocker

Utica, N.Y. 13501

Dear Mr. Rocker:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be granted or reinstated.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Peter J. Cayan
President

PJC/st

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Put your address in the "RETURN TO" space on the reverse side. Failure to do this will prevent this from being returned to you. The return receipt fee will provide you the name of the person delivered to and the date of delivery. For additional fees and services, consult your postmaster for fees and check box(es) for additional service(s) requested.

1. ☐ Show to whom delivered, date, and addressee's address.

2. ☐ Restricted Delivery.

3. Article Addressed to:

Mr. Clifford Rocker

4. Article Number

356 191 818

Type of Service:

☒ Registered

☐ Insured

☐ Certified

☐ COD

☐ Express Mail

Always obtain signature of addressee or agent and **DATE DELIVERED**.

5. Signature - Addressee

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6. Signature - Agent

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7. Date of Delivery

25 Sept 1987

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PS Form 3811, Feb. 1986

DOMESTIC RETURN RECEIPT

CONF013556

October 13, 1987

Mr. John C. Harvey
Scout Executive
Land of the Oneidas Council, No. 395

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Clifford Rocker

Dear John:

Thank you for your phone call of August 27 concerning the above-named individual. We have not heard anything from you since that time and were simply following up to ask for additional information which is available.

We would like newspaper clippings or other information which you may be able to secure, which will substantiate our refusal of registration should attempts be made at a later time.

We would also like to have the Confidential Record Sheet completed which we sent you on August 27. In case you did not receive this, we are enclosing another copy. Please complete this with as much information as is available so that we may identify Mr. Rocker anywhere he might try to register.

If you have a copy of his application with his signature, we would like this also as this will help in the identification process.

Let us know if we may be of any help to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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OCT 14 1987
ERIN O'RILEY

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WATS CALL FORM

CALL BACK REQUESTED _____

COUNCIL # 395

PHONE NO: _____

CALLER: JOHN HARVEY

POSITION: _____

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION _____

VETERANS _____

EXPLORING _____

SCOUTING _____

BOYS' LIFE _____

UNIT #

DIST. #

EXP. DATE

TRANSMITTAL #

FILM #

CM NEW S-87 CROSS #023178

SODOMY ALLEGED 4-87

NEVER MET WITH CUBS

B/y - 10/52

MAY BE INCEST

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

~~CLIFFORD W. ROCKER~~ DR 35

SEND C.R. SHEET

CR sheet
sent
8-27-87
cm

Added to CF
file. Have
not deleted
Registration
pending but
info from
Council

R/S-433

3/13/86-clf-567r

NAME Plant

DATE 8-27-87

TIME _____